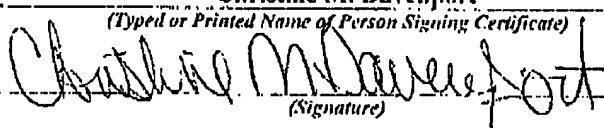




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Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks contained herein in response to the Office Action mailed September 12, 2005. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments and remarks contained herein place the application in condition for allowance.